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Selectmen's Minutes 11-15-2004

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 15, 2004

7:15 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Mahon, Chair, Mr. Hurd, Vice-chair, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Greeley, and Mrs. Dias.

Also present: Mr. Sullivan and Mrs. Krepelka.

Absent: Mr. Maher

1. Discussion: Capital Planning Budget Item Requests, Including the Renovations/Repair of Three (3) Fire Stations.

Mr. Sullivan stated that the renovations/repairs of the fire stations has a long history from initial evaluations to formulated plans. The Board's position is to maintain three fire stations in the Town. Town Meeting appropriated the money to do design and plan work. The capital improvement plan has the construction money allocated for F2006. Mr. Sullivan than turned the discussion over to Chief Maimone for the renovation plans.

Chief Maimone stated that the fire station renovations have been his primary goal for the last six years. To date no fire station renovation has been addressed. The \$9.5 million dollar renovation breakdown is: \$2.3 million to build a new Park Circle station, \$3.2 million to do the Highland station over, and \$5 million to do the Headquarters over.

Chief Maimone asked the Board to support moving forward on rebuilding the Park Circle station. He added there is \$123, 000. left over from the design phase to add to the construction money.

Chief Maimone stated the station renovations have been a major goal of his since accepting the position of Chief in 1999.

All Selectmen agreed their position remained the same in support of the Park Circle being rebuilt. There was some discussion on trying to reduce the total cost amount through creative planning but agreed the other station renovations should be discussed at a future meeting.

Mr. Lyons moved to support moving forward on the Park Circle Station with F2006 capital funds.
SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Dias asked Chief Maimone if the reverse 911 system could be moved up higher on the capital project plan. After some discussion on the pre-recorded phone message software system, it was stated it would probably be included in the Emergency Management Plan. The price for the base system is \$40,000. It will be looked at during the dispatch center update. Mrs. Galkowski reported that the Capital Planning Committee is concerned with technology problems and wants the Information Technology Advisory Committee to review the software program.

Mrs. Galkowski also presented the Board with initial capital budget plans. They are very preliminary plans and the Manager's Office will be back to the Board in January with final budget plans.

Mr. Lyons moved to receive draft reports. SO VOTED (5-0)

The Board discussed Mrs. Krepelka's recommendation to update election-voting equipment for a total cost of \$45,000. There have been some complaints concerning the condition of voting equipment.

Mr. Lyons moved to officially refer this item to the Capital Budget Committee.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest:

Marie Krepelka
Board Administrator